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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/SPECIES ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction/Species Election Requirement mailed June 28, 2007, applicants elect Group II, claims 15-27.

Applicant elects with traverse, in that it is submitted that the searches and examination would be similar, so it is believed that the claims should be examined together.

Please contact applicant's attorney at 503-224-0115 if there are any questions.

It is believed that no further fees are due with this filing or that the required fees are being submitted herewith. However, if additional fees are required to keep the application pending, please charge deposit account 503036. If fee refund is owed, please refund to deposit account 503036.

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